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Transmitted herewith is:

A. Amendment in response to Office Action dated April 30, 2662 CENTER 1600/2900

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**EXAMINER** 

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## RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121 AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Office Action dated April 30, 2002, which set a one-month shortened statutory period of response, the Applicants submit the following election and remarks. Applicants respectfully request a two-month extension of time. A Fee Transmittal is attached. The Office is authorized to charge or debit any underpayment or overpayment to Deposit Account 11-0600.

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**Election and Remarks** 

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The Examiner has required Applicants to elect one of nine species pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 121. Claims 1-9 and 116-121 are said to be generic.

Applicants elect to prosecute those claims that read on the Form D monohydrate species. However, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider whether other forms of Form D, such as a solvate, should be considered together with the monohydrate; Applicants note that the Examiner has not identified any species in which a solvate of Form D can be included.

The invention is directed to, inter alia, hydrates, solvates and anhydrous forms of zolpidem hemitartrate. Applicants include herewith a preliminary amendment in which the claims are reordered to clarify the relationship between various aspects of the invention. Thus, referring to the claims in the preliminary amendment, Applicants believe that the following 08/01/2002 GWORDOF1 00000025 110600 09841025

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